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HOUSE RESOLUTION 161
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A RESOLUTION To honor Tom M. Allen on the occasion of his retirement as an Administrative Law Judge for the Social Security Administration.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those public servants who, in their years of work, have performed with the utmost integrity, dedication, and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Tom M. Allen is one such admirable public servant who is richly deserving of this Body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, He will be retiring in August 2001, after serving with distinction as an Administrative Law Judge for the Social Security Administration for the past twenty-three years; and

WHEREAS, Since he first began practicing law in 1953, Mr. Allen has distinguished himself as the very epitome of the conscientious and committed public servant and as an exceptional asset to his community; and

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WHEREAS, In addition to serving as an Administrative Law Judge, Tom M. Allen has served astutely as a private lawyer and as a Judge of the Superior Court for the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, He has been an invaluable member of many professional organizations, holding membership in the American Bar Association, the Council of Superior Court Judges, the Juvenile Justice Master Committee and the former Decatur DeKalb Bar Association; and

WHEREAS, A highly respected member of the bench, Mr. Allen has mentored and presented lectures on various legal topics, including the Model Family Court Act, the Family Court, the Chaplain's Role in the Prison System, and Law of a Parent and Child; and

WHEREAS, Tom M. Allen has contributed his time and remarkable talents to many community organizations; he has worked closely with the DeKalb County, Georgia Police Athletic League, the DeKalb County, Georgia Law Library, the Atlanta Restitution Shelter, the Decatur Civitan Club, and the Buckhead 50 Club; and

WHEREAS, He has served the bench, the legal profession, the United States Government, and the State of Georgia with the greatest distinction; his wisdom and insight will be greatly missed; and

WHEREAS, During his distinguished career, Mr. Allen has won the unbridled respect and admiration of the legal community and the public alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor Tom M. Allen for his honorable and astute service to the legal systems of this Nation; commend him on twenty-three years of steadfast service as an Administrative Law Judge for the Social Security Administration, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.